IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Akira UEDA

Art Unit: 3743

Serial Number: 09/044,03

Examiner: ATKINSON, C.

Filed: March 19, 1998

For: HEAT PIPE TYPE COOLER

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT, PETITION, AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(d)

Attn: Group Director D

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

July 28, 1998

Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

Petition is hereby made for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement, which is being submitted after issuance of an Official Action.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 CFR 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

A check is attached hereto which covers the \$ 130.00 fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(i)(1). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this Statement to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. Two copies of this authorization are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

ARMSTRONG, WESTERMAN, HATTORI, McLELAND & NAUGHTON

William G. Kratz, fr.
Attorney for Applicants
Reg. No. 22,631

Atty. Docket No. 980400 1725 K Street, N.W., Suite 1000 Washington, DC 20006

Tel: (202) 659-2930 Fax: (202) 887-0357

WGK/nrp

Enclosures: Form-1449 and 5 References